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TUBE

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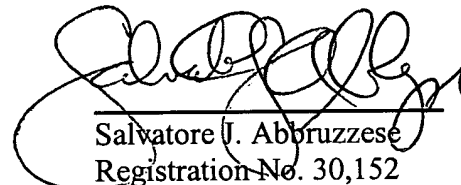
The present invention is a continuation of pending U.S. Application Serial No.  
09/748,417, filed on December 26, 2000, which contains similar subject matter. Each of the

references cited herein was cited in the above-referenced parent application. Accordingly, no copies of the references are provided herewith. For convenience of the Examiner, the references are listed on the attached Form PTO 1449.

Accordingly, in view of the present submission, it is now believed that the present application is in all respects complete, and in condition for examination and favorable consideration.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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